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EXPERTISE IN DELHI METRO
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Metro has acquired sufficient expertise so as to discard foreign consultants;

(b) if so, whether the Delhi Metro will be able to complete Line-lll on its own;

(c) if so, the facts thereof;

(d) whether the Delhi Metro is undertaking any consultancy from abroad by virtue of its acquired skills and expertise; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a): The services of foreign consultants in certain specialized areas like tunnelling, viaduct design, signalling, telecommunications, rolling stock and electric traction in tunnels/viaducts are still required.

(b)&(c): The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd.(DMRC) is able tocomplete Line no. 3, with the assistance of foreign consultants in the areas mentioned at (a) above.

(d)&(e): The DMRC has been approached by the Government of Sri Lankato provide consultancy services for a feasibility study for Metro Rail system for Colombo city. No formal agreement in this regard has, however, been entered into with the Government of Sri Lanka.